part of nearby Lake Grove and the city changed its name to Lake Oswego.

Today, Lake Oswego continues to be an outstanding community to live, work and play. The city has a nationally ranked library, an award winning senior center and a plethora of arts, culture and recreation opportunities available to residents. The city, in partnership with local businesses, has made a priority of economic development and transportation planning that will ensure a bright and sustainable future for the community for years to come. And the Lake Oswego School District is responsible for a public education system that is one of the best in the country, benefitting from widespread community support.

Madam Speaker, 100 years have now passed since the city was officially recognized and I am honored to be the representative for this beloved community. I congratulate Lake Oswego on their centennial celebration and hope the city enjoys another 100 years of growth and prosperity.

RECOGNIZING THE HONORABLE MILITARY SERVICE OF MAJOR ALBERT F. CORCHUELO

HON. DARRELL E. ISSA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 14, 2010

Mr. ISSA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the military service of Major Albert F. Corchuelo on the occasion of his retirement from the United States Marine Corps. I commend Major Corchuelo's career and offer my sincerest thanks for his more than 20 years of dedicated service in protecting our nation.

Beginning his career with an appointment to the U.S. Naval Academy, Major Corchuelo's graduation was followed by his commissioning as a Second Lieutenant in the U.S. Marine Corps. His first assignment included serving as an Air Defense Control Officer in Cherry Point, North Carolina and was subsequently hand selected to apply his skills as a Spanish linguist as a liaison in support of counter-narcotics operations in Barranquilla, Columbia.

In 1992, Major Corchuelo was selected to train and was designated as a Naval Aviator in Pensacola, Florida where he was promoted to Captain during flight training. Upon receiving his Naval Aviator wings, he was assigned to HMT–302 in Tustin, California, followed by HMH–462 where he deployed with 15th and 13th MEU. During his tour he served as Pilot Training Officer, Assistant Logistics Officer, Tactics Officer, Administration Officer, and Legal Officer. Throughout the course of these numerous duties, Major Corchuelo also participated in Exercise Hunter Warrior as part of the Commandant's Advanced Warfighting Experiment.

In 1998, Major Corchuelo graduated from Amphibious Warfare School and served as the Executive Officer (XO) for the Training and Education Company at Headquarters and Service Battalion. Soon after this term, Major Corchuelo joined the Selected Marine Corps Reserve in 2001. Just one year later he accepted orders to the Active Reserves as the Assistant Operations Officer which deployed shortly thereafter.

With distinguished tours of duty in Kosovo, Diibouti, and the Persian Gulf for Operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom, Major Corchuelo's tenure in the Marine Corps is certainly worthy of commendation. In 2004 he transitioned to Camp Pendleton where he served as the Officer-in-Charge (OIC), then as the Reserve Officer Recruiter for the West Coast for the next three years. In 2008 he operated as the OIC for Prior Service Recruiting while earning a Master of Science Degree in Information and Telecommunications Systems Management. On July 9, 2010, Major Corchuelo finished out his extensive military career as the Executive Officer for Reserve Site Support Del Mar at Camp Pendleton. California.

Major Corchuelo distinguished himself by extraordinary acts of leadership time and again. Among his many accomplishments, Major Corchuelo's decorations include the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (2), Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal, Presidential Unit Citation, Joint Meritorious Unit Award, Navy Unit Citation (5), Meritorious Unit Citation (3), National Defense Medal (2), Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal (3), Kosovo Campaign Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Sea Service Deployment Ribbon, Recruiting Ribbon, Armed Forces Reserve Medal and the NATO Kosovo Medal.

These recognitions are a true testament, among other things, of Major Corchuelo's great dedication, leadership and commitment to our country.

I offer Major Corchuelo my warmest congratulations and may he enjoy a rich and rewarding retirement with his wife Peggy and his two children, Daniel and Brian.

Madam Speaker, I ask you to please join me in honoring all the brave men and women who have served in the United States Armed Forces, and the admirable service of Major Albert Corchuelo.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. W. TODD AKIN

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 14, 2010

Mr. AKIN. Madam Speaker, on rollcall No. 436, H.R. 4773, Fort Pulaski National Monument Lease Authorization Act, had I been present, I would have voted "aye."

RECOGNIZING PFC EDWIN "EDDIE" WOOD

HON. LEE TERRY

OF NEBRASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 14, 2010

Mr. TERRY. Madam Speaker, it is with great sadness that I rise to pay tribute to a young man from Omaha who was killed recently in Afghanistan, in the service of our country.

PFC Edwin "Eddie" Wood, a scout with the Army's 10th Mountain Division, was on patrol

when an IED exploded and killed him and another soldier and wounded three others. He is the first soldier from Omaha to die in Afghanistan. He had been in the Army for less than a year and had not even reached his 19th birthday.

Private First Class Wood was a graduate of Omaha North High School, where he was involved in Boy Scouts, drama, and was a member of the ROTC all 4 years. He also participated in early American re-enactor events with his father.

Scouting was a big part of Eddie's life. He started as member of Cub Scout Pack No. 5 and then moved up to Boy Scout Troop No. 20, earning all the ranks up to Life Scout—just below Eagle Scout. He earned and was awarded 32 merit badges. In 2006, I wrote a letter to Eddie, helping him to earn his Citizenship in the Nation badge. His love for Scouting continued even after he enlisted in the Army. He was listed as an active member of the Boy Scouts Mid-America Council.

Madam Speaker, it is times like this when we truly realize the sacrifices that are being made every day by the young men and women who serve in our armed forces. It also brings home the sacrifices that families make in watching their children go off to war. We are so grateful to them.

Today, I join my colleagues in extending our thoughts and prayers to military families, especially the Wood family during this difficult time.

IN RECOGNITION OF COLONEL SHERRY B. KELLER'S SERVICE TO THE ANNISTON ARMY DEPOT

HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 14, 2010

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Madam Speaker, I would like to request the House's attention today to pay recognition to Colonel Sherry B. Keller's service in the United States Army.

Colonel Keller is a Virginia native who began her service by enlisting in the United States Army Reserve. She received her commission through the Reserves Officers Training Corps at Hampton University. Her career in the U.S. Army has taken her across the world from Fort Stewart, Georgia to Germany, and to Korea.

Currently, Colonel Keller serves as Commander of the Anniston Army Depot. The Anniston Army Depot is the designated Center of Industrial and Technical Excellence for combat vehicles, artillery, bridging systems, and small caliber weapons. Its over 4,000 employees provide critical maintenance support at the Depot and serve in direct support overseas. Her leadership continues to allow the Depot to be proudly known as the Pit Crew for the American War Fighter.

I greatly appreciate Colonel Keller for her service to our Nation, the Anniston Army Depot and our community. Her loyalty to duty, honor, and selfless service are in the highest traditions of the Army. I wish her all the best in her next endeavors.